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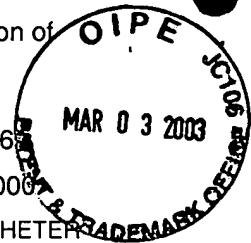
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Serial No. 09/678,486

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Title: BALLOON CATHETER



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Examiner: Michael M. Thompson

Date: March 3, 2003

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

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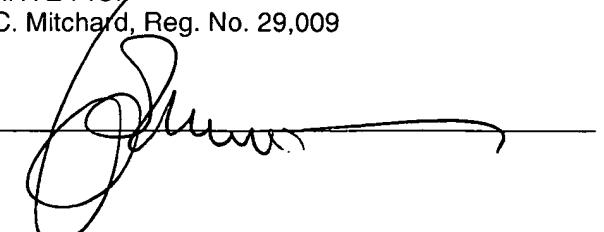
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Official Action mailed October 7, 2002 (for which petition is hereby made for a two month extension of time), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the following amended claims for corresponding claims previously presented. A copy of the amended claims showing current revisions is attached.

Please cancel all of the claims in this application, namely claims 1-14, and replace by the following new claims.

16. (New) A hollow radially expandable balloon member comprising an

Intermediate portion located between terminal portions which have a diameter smaller

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